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REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN

AND

Superintending School Committee,

OF THE

TOWN OF KENSINGTON,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1872.

EXETER:

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1872.

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Rec'd of Selectmen for 1871,	\$370 17
" due bill of John L. Eaton,	17 69
State Treasurer railroad dividends,	31 92
" Savings Bank tax,	111 96
" Literary fund,	28 20
A. G. M. Titcomb collector for 1871,	6,815 21
County for support of paupers,	18 00
Money hired for the use of the town,	2,500 00
Amos T. Rowe collector for 1870,	551 50
James Johnson house rent,	25 00
George W. Walton collector for 1869,	3 50
	\$10,472 91

EXPENDITURES.

Paid State tax,	\$1,260 00
County tax,	1,017 40
Support of schools,	810 70
" of poor,	518 10
Repairs of highways and bridges,	57 39
Notes and interest,	5,046 27
Contingent expenses,	282 12
Abatements,	92 16
Snow bills,	29 25
Selectmen's bills,	216 62
	\$9,330 01

TOWN DEBT.

Principal,	\$23,814 95
Interest to March 1, 1872,	1,264 36
Balance in the hands of Treasurer,	1,142 90

Remaining in hands of collector for 1871,	493 65
“ “ “ 1870,	44 63

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid William H. Hodgdon Prudential Committee District No. 1,	\$376 50
Theodore K. Mace Committee District No. 2,	418 20
E. D. Eldredge Superintending School Committee,	14 00
E. D. Eldredge procuring and posting copies of special act of legislation,	2 00
	\$810 70

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Paid Samuel Austin for boarding Gardner Green one year to March 13, 1872,	\$132 50
Ira Fellows boarding Ruth Rowe from March 1, to May 10, 1871 (ten weeks)	25 00
John Collins boarding Ruth Rowe from May 10, 1871 to March 13, 1872 (44 weeks)	116 00
Richard Hull for boarding Stephen O. Hull, 11 weeks at \$3.00 per week,	33 00
R. Hull boarding S. O. Hull 30 weeks at \$2.50 per week,	75 00
R. Hull boarding S. O. Hull 11 weeks at \$1.50 per week,	16 50
Albert Carroll M. D. for medical attendance on S. O. Hull,	61 60
Clothing for S. O. Hull,	15 00
Stephen O. Hull expenses to Exeter to procure medicine,	3 00
Hyla D. Peacock boarding and lodging transient persons,	24 00
Amos T. Rowe “ “ “ “	2 00
Selectmen time and expenses in the case of S. O. Hull,	11 50
John A. Douglass M. D. for medical attendance on S. O. Hull in Dec. 1870,	3 00
	\$518 10

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Paid William H. Huse & Co., printing town reports for 1870,	\$20 00
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Paid Sarah Moulton, damage done a carriage on the high- way in 1870,	5 00
George E. Lane for blank books, blanks, statione- ry and stamps,	13 50
Amos T. Rowe, collector for 1870,	5 50
Gilman Marston for advice,	1 00
Charles H. Sanborn, M. D., record of births and deaths,	1 50
Joshua Getchell, sealing town weights and measures in 1864,	2 75
Joseph F. Wiggin for advice,	4 00
Kelly & Gardner, blind fastenings,	50
Samuel Austin, labor on house of Gardner Green,	9 75
Newell Boyd for Shingles,	9 00
C. L. & J. W. Allen for nails,	1 32
Wear N. Shaw, half cord wood for the town,	2 25
A. G. M. Titcomb, collecting taxes in 1871,	68 15
Benjamin Moulton, damage by dogs,	5 00
Ferdinand L. Blake, " "	16 00
Jonathan F. Badger, " "	4 00
Laroy S. Sanborn, " "	5 00
Cyrus D. Wadleigh, services as town clerk,	27 84
Joseph Poor, washing town hall,	2 00
Joseph Poor, putting railing around town house,	3 50
B. F. Lovering, moving wall,	20 00
Auditors,	3 00
Abel Brown and others their nonresident highway taxes,	45 06
John French, maintaining watering place in highway,	2 00
Charles E. Tuck, funnel for town hall,	1 50
John L. Eaton, setting guide post and repairing guide- board,	1 00
Lewis E. Gove, services as moderator,	2 00
	\$282 12

NOTES AND INTEREST.

Paid Moses G. Wilson,	\$105 00
Catharine Cummings,	70 00
Eliza S. Currier,	9 10
Michael Gove,	14 00
Elizabeth B. Brown,	60 00

Paid Edmund Morrill,	119 93
Richard Fitts,	14 16
Mary A. Morrill,	14 00
Oliver Smith,	112 00
Cyrus P. Stevens,	48 00
A. J. Towle,	60 00
Hulda P. Batchelder,	166 00
Rufus Eastman,	120 50
Francis Dow,	2,365 90
Edward Brewer,	203 00
Jonathan Tuck,	205 68
Thomas Flanders,	436 00
First Congregational Society,	7 25
Samuel D. Lane,	30 00
William H. Currier,	64 75
Heirs of John Kimball,	60 00
Stephen Green,	24 00
Jeremiah Tilton,	626 00
Joseph N. Healey,	87 00
Sally Eastman,	12 00
Betsy M. Blake,	12 00

\$5,046 27

ABATEMENTS.

Paid Hyla D. Peacock, overrated and abated,	\$ 55
B. F. Lovering, " "	5 20
Moses G. Tuck, poll, over 70 years old,	3 93
John G. Dow, dog tax,	1 00
George Brown. poll tax in 1870, over 70,	3 06
" " " in 1871, "	3 90
John Rosenthal, tax on horse, 1870,	1 61
Daniel J. Dearborn, poll tax, " "	3 06
George A. Wadleigh, " "	3 06
Jonathan E. Brown, " "	4 00
George P. Rowe, " "	3 00
" " dog tax, " "	2 00
William P. Johnson, " "	3 00
Arthur R. Page, " "	3 00
Edward S. Chase, " "	3 00

Paid John S. Davis	poll tax	"	3 76
81 Samuel Shufelt,		"	1 12
00 William E. Brown, poll	"	"	3 06
00 George E. Ramsdell,	"	"	3 00
00 William E. Brown,	"	1871,	4 37
George H. Floyd,	"	"	3 90
Elbridge S. Felch,	"	"	3 90
William P. Johnson,	"	"	3 93
David E. Shufelt,	"	"	3 93
Henry Shufelt,	"	"	3 93
Burnham E. Pervere,	"	"	3 93
Albert S. Stevens	"	"	5 63
Ira Fellows, dog tax,	"	"	1 00
Henry C. Tuck,	"	"	1 00
Benjamin A. Fitts,	"	"	1 00
John Page,	"	"	1 00
Henry Mitchell, tax on hog,			28

\$92 16

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid William A. Moore, labor on highway,	\$2 62
James Hobbs,	1 20
Amos T. Rowe,	3 00
Weare N. Shaw,	15 47
Weare N. Shaw, lumber,	14 00
T. H. Kimball, labor on highway and bridges,	8 50
T. H. Kimball, lumber,	12 60

\$57 39

SNOW BILLS.

Paid Jeremiah F. Blake Surveyor,	\$6 75
Jonathan Palmer,	4 95
Abraham Eaton,	6 75
Theodore K. Mace,	10 80

\$29 25

SELECTMEN'S BILLS.

Paid Ordinary services,	\$27 00
taking inventory,	27 00

Paid Overseers of the poor,	9 00
enrolling soldiers,	1 00
making taxes and recording inventory,	10 00
Amos T. Rowe services as Treasurer,	25 00
“ “ to Amesbury and Exeter to pay interest,	6 00
Selectmen time and expenses under the act passed June 1870, authorizing the State to make a limited reimbursement of their municipal war expenditures,	61 62
running town lines,	21 00
time and team to hire money,	8 00
copying accounts and procuring the printing,	3 00
Amos T. Rowe time and expenses to Concord to settle with Treasurer,	6 00
Selectmen appraising wood land,	12 00
	\$216 62

AMOS T. ROWE,
WILLIAM H. HODGDON, } Selectmen
JOHN G. DOW, } of
Kensington.

MARCH 5, 1872.

Having examined the foregoing accounts, we find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

A. G. M. TITCOMB, }
JOSEPH N. AUSTIN, } Auditors.

ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR THE CURRENT YEAR.

State tax,	630 00
County tax,	1,041 06
Support of Schools,	735 00
Support of the Poor,	500 00
Contingencies,	500 00
Interest on debt,	1,200 00
Highways and Bridges,	500 00
	\$5,106 06

REPORT

OF

The Superintending School Committee

TO THE SELECTMEN.

Gentlemen:—Your committee has visited the schools under his supervision at the opening and close of each session, and has been highly gratified with the ability with which they have been conducted. The teachers seem to have secured the respect and love of their pupils, while good order and punctuality have marked their proceedings.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

WILLIAM H. HODGDON, *Prudential Committee*.

Teacher, Summer and Winter, Miss Laura J. Smith. Length Summer Term, two sessions, 22 weeks—wages, \$40 per month, whole number of scholars, 60—Average, 53—Scholars not absent any half day, 11—Register well kept.

Winter Term, one session, 11 weeks—wages \$40 per month—whole number, 51—Average 45—Scholars not absent one half day, 11—Register in good order. Number absent no half day during the year, 4—Namely; Nellie L. Tilton, Nettie Brewer, Lizzie Prescott, Frank H. Poor.

This is the second year Miss Smith has taught the school, and the universal satisfaction given renders commendation unnecessary. The large number of parents present on the day of examination showed the interest that was felt.

DISTRICT, NO. 2.

T. K. MACE, *Prudential Committee*.

Miss H. Maria Dowe, Teacher. Summer Term, two sessions, 20 weeks—wages, \$37 per month—whole number 37—Average, 27—Number over 4 years not attending, 6—Register neatly kept.

Winter Term, one Session, 15 weeks—wages, \$42 per month—whole number 36—Average, 27—Register kept with due care—As Miss Dowe's School has not closed at the time of making up this report we cannot say how it will appear at the examination; judging from the appearance during the year, we presume it will fully meet our expectations. Order, punctuality and progress have been evident each session, and we consider Miss Dowe an able and successful teacher.

GENERAL REMARKS.

Your Superintendent would congratulate the town on the success which has attended the efforts of the Prudential committees to procure able and efficient teachers. Though some may think the wages paid were high yet it will be remembered that it is better to pay well for good instructors than a smaller sum for poor.

We have been pleased the past year to see the interest manifested in the education of their children by parents, and hope the interest will be increased in years to come.

Quite a class of our young people now go abroad for superior advantages of education. Would it not be gratifying if we could have during a portion of the year a High School which should meet the wants of this class, and save so large an expenditure of money abroad?

In conclusion we would gratefully acknowledge that Providential kindness which has preserved the lives of teachers and scholars during the entire scholastic year.

ERASMUS D. ELDRIDGE.

Superintending School Committee,

KENSINGTON, March 1, 1872.

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